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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For: **IDENTIFICATION OF DIFFERENTIALLY METHYLATED AND
MUTATED NUCLEIC ACIDS**

Enclosed are:

1. 64 sheets of specification, 10 sheets of claims, and 1 sheet of abstract and 15 sheets of Sequence Listing
2. 14 sheets of drawings.
3. Declaration (copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(See 4 below).
4. Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under paragraph 3 above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
5. Also enclosed:
Preliminary Amendment
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6. Continuing application information:

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application 09/345,881 filed on June 30, 1999 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/163,951, filed September 30, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/657,866, filed May 31, 1996 in the name

of Hao-Peng Xu DUFFY, entitled "Identification of Differentially Methylated and Mutated Nucleic Acids."

7. In Accordance with 37 CFR §1.821(e), a Sequence Listing in computer readable form for application Serial No. 09/345,881 was submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on June 30, 1999. The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/163,951, filed September 30, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/657,866, filed May 31, 1996 in the name of Hao-Peng Xu DUFFY, entitled "Identification of Differentially Methylated and Mutated Nucleic Acids," and the Sequence Listing contains information identical to the computer readable Sequence Listing submitted in connection with application Serial No. 09/345,881

Further, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.821(f), the Applicant herein states that the contents of the earlier filed computer readable Sequence Listing and the paper copy of the Sequence Listing, submitted herewith as part of the specification, are identical.

8. Applicant is a small entity and is entitled to small entity status

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BASIC FEE				750.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	- 20	18.00	
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT			280.0	0.00
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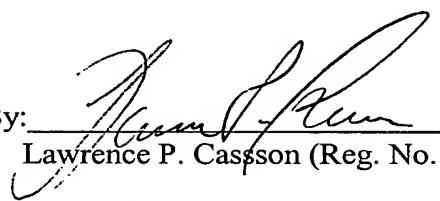
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